

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration and allowance of the present application based on the following remarks are respectfully requested.

Preliminarily, the Applicants would like to thank the Examiner for acknowledging the allowability of claims 22-67, pending resolution of the rejection of claims 22-27 under 35 U.S.C §101. Although there appears to be some confusion regarding the scope of the double patenting rejection, the Applicants have cancelled claims 22-27.

Upon entry of this Amendment and Response, claims 28 and 68-94 will be pending, with new claims 68-94 being added to more definitely and distinctly claim the Applicants' invention.

Therefore, all objections and rejections having been addressed, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in a condition for allowance and a Notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

Should any issues remain unresolved, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney for Applicants at the telephone number indicated below in order to expeditiously resolve any remaining issues.

Respectfully submitted,

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